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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN EEC MT UK

SUBJ: UK-MALTESE RELATIONS

REF: EC BRUSSELS 6171

1. UK HIGH COMMISSIONER MORETON INFORMED US THAT HE DELIVERED TWO LETTERS TO GOM ON NOV 3. HE WAS INSTRUCTED NOT TO GIVE THEM TO MINTOFF PERSONALLY, SO ENDED UP HANDING THEM TO ACTING SECRETARY AT MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFIARS.

2. FIRST LETTER WAS REPLY TO MINTOFF CHARGES ON BRITISH ATTITUDE REGARDING EC SOFT LOANS. THIS CONFIRMED BRITISH ATTITUDE, BUT DEPLORED MINTOFF'S FAILURE TO GIVE BRITISH CREDIT FOR ASSISTING MALTA
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IN OTHER ASPECTS OF MALTESE RELATIONSHIP TO EC.

3. SECOND LETTER WAS REPLY BY DOUGLAS HUME TO MINTOFF LETTER OF OCT 6, AND ALSO GENERALLY MAINTAINED BRITISH POSITION ALL ASPECTS COVERED IN MINTOFF'S MESSAGE, BUT EXPRESSED USUAL WILLINGNESS TO CONTINUE TO ATTEMPT NEGOTIATE SOLUTIONS.

4. COMMENT: MINTOFF STILL HAS GIVEN NO INDICATION OF ANY SPECIFIC MOVES AGAINST UKG. NEXT STEP WILL PROBABLY AWAIT RESULT OF BRUSSELS MEETING TODAY, NOV. 6. MEANWHILE, LABOR PARTY AND GWU PRESS ARE INDULGING IN USUAL PARTISAN EDITORIALS, WHILE OPPOSITION PRESS REMAINS CAUTIOUS.
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